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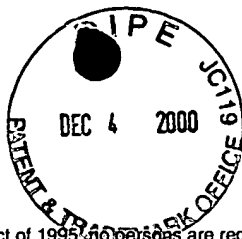
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| | Group Art Unit | 2131 |
| | Examiner Name | Unknown |
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| Date | 11/30/2000 |

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FEE CALCULATION

1. FILING FEE

| Large Entity Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| 101 690 | 201 345 | Utility filing fee | |
| 106 310 | 206 155 | Design filing fee | |
| 107 480 | 207 240 | Plant filing fee | |
| 108 690 | 208 345 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 114 150 | 214 75 | Provisional filing fee | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) | | | |

2. CLAIMS

| Total Claims | -20 = | Extra | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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| Independent Claims | -3 = | 0 | X | 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | | 0 | X | 0.00 |

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| 103 18 | 203 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 78 | 202 39 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 260 | 204 130 | Multiple dependent claim |
| 109 78 | 209 39 | Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 110 18 | 210 9 | Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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| 105 130 | 205 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | 130.00 |
| 127 50 | 227 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet. | |
| 139 130 | 139 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 147 2,520 | 147 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | |
| 112 920* | 112 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 113 1,840* | 113 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 115 110 | 215 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 116 380 | 216 190 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 870 | 217 435 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 118 1,360 | 218 680 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 1,850 | 228 925 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 119 300 | 219 150 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 120 300 | 220 150 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 260 | 221 130 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 138 1,510 | 138 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 140 110 | 240 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 1,210 | 241 660 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 142 1,210 | 242 605 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 143 430 | 243 215 | Design issue fee | |
| 144 580 | 244 290 | Plant issue fee | |
| 122 130 | 122 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 50 | 123 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 126 240 | 126 240 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 581 40 | 581 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 146 690 | 246 345 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 149 690 | 249 345 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |

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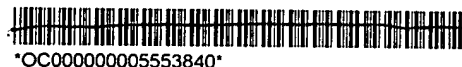
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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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